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Amend the Local Government (Ireland) Acts.

A.D. 1904.

BE it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Removal of disqualification.

1. So much of Article Twelve, subsection four, of the Schedule to the Local Government (Application of Enactments) Order, 1898, as enacts that a person shall be disqualified for being elected or chosen or being a member of a council of a county or of a district or of a board of guardians or of any town commissioners, if he has, within five years before his election, or since his election, been convicted either on indictment or summarily of any crime, and sentenced to imprisonment with hard labour without the option of a fine, or to any greater punishments, and has not received a free pardon, shall not apply in the case of any person convicted of any offence or crime before a court of summary jurisdiction under the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887, or, upon an indictment, by a special jury under the said Act; and any person who, before the passing of this Act, has been, or shall hereafter be, so convicted, shall be qualified for being elected or chosen or being a member of a council of a county or of a district or of a board of guardians or of any town commissioners, even though he has been or shall be sentenced to imprisonment with hard labour without the option of a fine, or to any greater punishment, and has not received a free pardon.

Modification of 61 & 62 Vict. c. 37. *See* 94 (3).

2. Subsection three of section ninety-four of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, shall not apply to any person convicted in the manner mentioned in the first section of this Act, and the said subsection shall be deemed not to have applied to any person convicted as aforesaid before the passing of this Act.

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3. This Act shall be read as one with the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, and the said Application of Enactments Order, and may be cited as the Local Government (Removal of Disqualifications) (Ireland) Act, 1904.

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